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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECORDING/REPRODUCING OPTICAL

INFORMATION

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicant responds herein to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed October 25, 2006.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

| NO. CLAIMS | | HIGHEST NO. | | | | | | |
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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

| 1 | _ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith. |
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| 2, | _ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith. |
| 3 | _ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith. |
| 4, 🗸 | If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith. |

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